

DISC Newsletter

Project Topeka

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Project Topeka began in 1986 to assist food providers in the community who help the homeless and hungry. Project Topeka continues to help many people in need each year. During the month of February they ask for nonperishable food donations. You can drop off donations at work, school, or any Topeka fire station. In 2005 Let's Help fed 3,499 families in the community with Project Topeka's donations.

This years DISC project coordinator is Cheryl Shaughnessy. The project representatives are:

BAS-Lisa Cameron and Larry Caldwell
BIS-Jeff Muller and Connie Stroud
BDAS-Jodi Tritsch and Kathy Cummings

BOCS-Larry Zeller
BOT-Dan Glotzbach
KITO-Cathy Nicoletti



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Thanks to all of those who helped with the Chili dog feed. On the first day the total sales were \$408.00 and the second day raised \$197.00, thus bringing the final total to \$617.00.

The annual Valentine's Day Rose and Jewelry Sale went over well, raising \$316.00.



The annual penny races have begun. This year the committee decided to bring DISC together as a whole instead of by bureaus. We have been divided into 5 teams to help strengthen our team efforts. Their hope is to bring employees together that might not get to work with one another and to build team spirit. So ladies and gentleman start collecting those pennies. The committee has also decided to host a Pizza sale on February 20, 2006. On going events throughout the year for Project Topeka is the Pop sale and treat table. Next year the committee would like to host a few events throughout the year instead of piling all the events in February. Some of those events will include an ice cream social, and food sales; look for them next year.



Employee Information

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS TO:

Cathy Jones

Judy Shepherd

Dave Willoughby

Cathy Nicoletti

Loren Westerdale

Mike Meyer

Laura Browne

Greg Smith

Eric Hollaway

Cathy Long

Michael Rosencutter

In Sympathy of

Gary Sherrer's grandmother

Morey Sullivan's father

Sorry for your loss

Look at what a few lunch hours and aluminum foil can do for your office....

Tony left his cubbie unguarded to go on vacation...but when he returned he found that he had been **FOILED!**

To cover every last item in his cubicle it took 600 square feet of aluminum foil.



Sara Johnson joins the private sector



Sara Johnson left DISC on January 20, 2006 to venture out to the private sector, Kansas Association for Local Health Departments (KALHD) as the Deputy Director. Sara worked for DISC for 9 years, in BAS.



KUDOS

BIS

To: Todd Fritz

I appreciated Todd Fritz's help in solving a nagging network problem at the Kansas Human Rights Commission Office. The Commission has offices in Topeka and Wichita. The problem concerned a Unix based database which could be accessed by Topeka network users, but could not from the Wichita office. The remote database administrators said the likely cause of the problem was firewall configuration. I had tested connectivity and could not find a problem so I suspected IP protocol configuration problems on the database server. Todd helped verify the IP information then discovered that there was no defined route to the Wichita network. He added a route statement to the server and the problem was fixed. The Kansas Human Rights Commission and I both appreciate Todd's help. Without it we would still be fighting the problem. From: Kurt Dubach, DISC

To: Jim Arnold

Thank you for keeping us informed of the conversion progress. I briefed ASTRA attendees about the warrant changes and mentioned yourself and Marsha's teams hard work on making the changes and enhancements to the warrants. They look great. Thank you From: Lucinda Anstaett, Office of the State Treasurer

BOCS

To: Larry Burton

Larry Burton has been working with our office and I just wanted to tell you what a great job he's doing. He has been very helpful and prompt to respond. He is great to work with. Thanks, Larry! From an anonymous person on the elevator as told to Denise Moore.

Enterprise Services

To: Pat Tierce

You're the best. The WLAN system is able to authenticate users back to the Legislature's Novell Server systems. From: Dave Larson, Legislative Administrative Services

To: Brian Dreiling

Bryan did a great job of keeping people involved and summarizing the 3 year planning process. There were several positive comments on the wrap up meeting as well as the webinar approach. From: Bill Roth

Calling all body types... DISC Biggest Losers Club is here!!!

This club was developed for those who wish to lose some extra weight and to lead a healthier life style.

**This club meets every Tuesday at noon in room 151.
If you wish to join, please stop by and/or visit with Pam Shadduck.**

There are no fees, just incentives to better yourself.

The weekly weigh-ins are kept confidential, you will be the only person who has access to your weight card.

**This group provides support and encourages one another.
Welcome one and all.**



Helpful Tip:

Ctrl C copies your highlighted text
and Ctrl V is the paste function

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPPORTUNITY

**Course content is so valuable to the DISC
workplace environment**

**that it is essential each staff member attend as
soon as possible if you haven't already done so.**

**This is the same training that was offered last year and
had such good response, sign up now!**

“LEADERSHIP IN PUBLIC SERVICE”

February 20-22, 2006 8:00 AM – 11:30AM

8 spots remaining

February 20-22, 2006 1:00PM – 4:30PM

11 spots remaining

ADDITIONAL SESSIONS WILL BE ADDED AS NEEDED

SKILLS YOU CAN EXPECT TO DEVELOP –

LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONALISM

MOTIVATING PERFORMANCE

WORKPLACE COMMUNICATIONS

ELIMINATING WORKPLACE HARASSMENT

IMPROVING CUSTOMER SERVICE

TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SUPERVISOR

(Each Session is limited to 20 participants)

CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE

KU PUBLIC MANAGEMENT CENTER

715 SW 10TH AVENUE, 4 BLOCKS FROM DISC